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SUBJ: LATEST CHADIAN PLOT DEVELOPMENTS

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1. PRESS AND RADIO MAINTAIN SILENCE REGARDING ARREST OF CHADIAN CHIEF OF STAFF MALLOUM AND, AS FAR AS WE CAN DETERMINE, ABOUT FIVE OR SIX OTHERS. MALLOUM IS UNDER ARREST AND OCCUPYING COMFORTABLE BUNGALOW AT OCAM VILLAGE NEAR PRESIDENT' S QUARTERS.

2. OUR MOST RELIABLE SOURCES INDICATE NO SUSPICION OF MILITARY INVOLVMENT IN ALLEGED CONSPIRACY. IN FACT, MALLOUM ARREST WAS ANNOUNCED TO MEETING OF SENIOR CHADIAN MILITARY OFFICIALS HASTILY ASSEMBLED AT OCAM VILLAGE MEETING SUNDAY EVENING BY THIRD- RANKING OF CHAD' S THREE GENERALS, ODINGAR. OUR SOURCES INDICATE ALL PRESENT WERE AS SURPRISED AS FRENCH EMBASSY AND WE ARE IN VIEW OF MALLOUM' S REPUTATION FOR ABSOLUTE LOYALTY TO PRESIDENT. ONE REPORTER INDICATES ALL OR
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MOST OF PERSONS DETAINED ARE MEMBERS OF SMALL MBAI TRIBE
FROM SOUTHERN CHAD, HINTING TRIBALISM PROBABLY INVOLVED TO
SOME EXTENT.

3. IT SHOULD BE HARD FOR TOMBALBAYE TO TAR MALLOUM, WHO IS
WELL KNOWN FOR ANTI- FRENCH ATTITUDES, WITH " COLONIALIST" BRUSH.
FRENCH EMBASSY AND FRENCH MILITARY HAVE ALWAYS FOUND MALLOUM
HARD TO GET ALONG WITH.

4. LESS THAN FORTY- EIGHT HOURS AFTER GOC MOVES AGAINST
" PLOTTERS" WE CANNOT BE SURE THERE REALLY HAS BEEN A PLOT. IF
THERE WAS, IT SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN VERY SMALL.
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